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## **ALBANY MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO DISTRIBUTION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY**

ALBANY, NEW YORK – PAUL SCROM, age 63, of Albany, New York, pled guilty today in Albany before Senior United States District Judge Thomas J. McAvoy to one count of distribution of child pornography, announced United States Attorney Richard S. Hartunian and Andrew W. Vale, Special Agent-in-Charge of the Albany Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

SCROM faces a statutory mandatory minimum sentence of five years and a maximum sentence of twenty years, as well as a lifetime term of supervised release, a maximum fine of \$250,000, and mandatory registration as a sex offender. SCROM will be sentenced in Albany, New York on October 14, 2014.

As part of his guilty plea, SCROM admitted that he distributed images and movies of child pornography through a peer-to-peer file sharing program. On September 12, 2013, investigators searched SCROM's residence and recovered numerous images and videos depicting child pornography.

This case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Albany Division and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Wayne A. Myers.

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